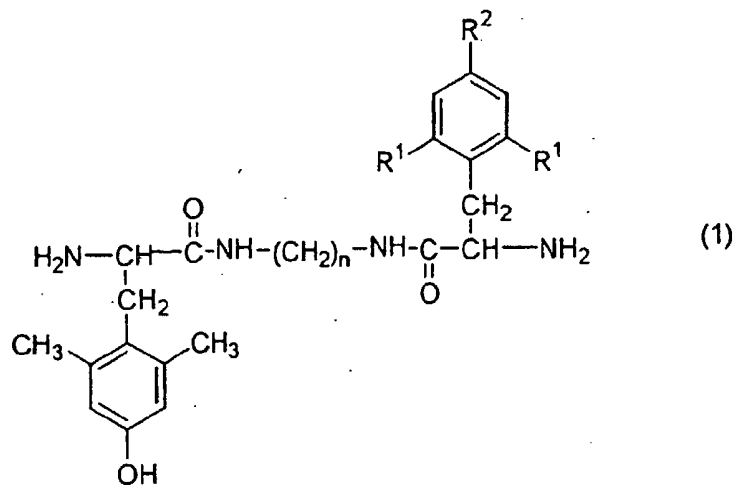


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A peptide derivative represented by the following formula (1) or a salt thereof:



wherein  $R^1$  is hydrogen atom or methyl group,  $R^2$  is ~~hydrogen~~ atom or hydroxy group and  $n$  is an integer of 1 to 8, ~~provided that  $R^1$  is hydrogen atom when  $R^2$  is hydrogen atom.~~

2. (Cancelled)

~~3.~~ (Original) The peptide derivative represented by the formula (1) or a salt thereof claimed in claim 1, wherein  $R^1$  is methyl group.

~~4.~~ (Currently Amended) The peptide derivative represented by the formula (1) or a salt thereof claimed in claim 1 ~~or 3,~~<sup>2</sup> wherein  $n$  is an integer of 4 to 6.

4. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition containing a peptide derivative represented by the formula (1) or a salt thereof claimed in claim 1 or ~~3~~<sup>2</sup> as an active ingredient.

5. (Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting or moderating pain comprising administering a peptide derivative represented by the formula (1) or a salt thereof claimed in claim 1 or ~~3~~<sup>2</sup> in an effective dosage to a patient having pain.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting or moderating the pain comprising administering a peptide derivative represented by the formula (1) or one salt thereof claimed in claim 1 or ~~3~~<sup>2</sup> in an effective dosage to a patient having pain or suffering from nervous defect disease related to  $\mu$ -opioid receptor activation: